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§19–731.

- (a) If a person violates any provision of §§ 19-705 and 19-705.1 of this subtitle, the Secretary may:
- (1) Issue an administrative order that requires the health maintenance organization to:
- (i) Cease inappropriate conduct or practices by it or any of the personnel employed by or associated with it and comply with the standards established by the Department; or
- (ii) Provide any service required by §§ 19-705 and 19-705.1 of this subtitle that has been denied improperly;
- (2) Impose a penalty of not less than \$100 and not more than \$125,000 for each violation; or
- (3) Apply to any court for legal or equitable relief considered appropriate by the Secretary.
- (b) If the Secretary issues an order or imposes any penalty under this section, the Secretary immediately shall provide written notice of the order or penalty to the Commissioner.

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